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which characterized a style of political architecture now irrevocably out of date.

CRITIC.

VICTORIA.

By the London we have Melbourne papers to the 17th instant.

James E. has five extracts from the *Argus* :

Seventeen insolvents filed their schedules on the 16th instant, a large proportion describing themselves as farmers.

On Monday, at Sandridge police court, Captain McLean, of the steamship Oneco, was charged by Mr. Broad, the immigration officer, with having brought on board twelve passengers in excess of the number permitted to the tonnage of the vessel. The offence was proved, and the defendant was fined £5 for each passenger, or £400 in all.

From the Scotch papers brought by the last mail that the experiment of introducing salmon to the rivers of the Australian colonies is now fairly in progress. The Tweed is the river from which the ova were taken twenty years ago, and the Scotch people "Tweed-side keltie" may not be impossible on the banks of the Derwent, the Tambo, or the Yarra.

The southern parts of the western district of Victoria have been visited by rains that produced the late excessive floods in the northern and eastern parts of the colony. They have since received a still

cient supply of moisture. The *Banner of Baysan*, on the 14th instant, says:—"It never rains but it pours."

From Wednesday morning we have had but little intermission between the showers, and on Wednesday the rain was so violent that the telegraph cables were completely submerged. Telegraphic communication was cut off in consequence, and the Queen, steamer, was detained in Holborn's Bay until Thursday evening. The roads were so bad that the Queen's carriage was obliged, by a detour, to take the route by springing up, and neither meat nor butter will be so scarce as it was apprehended they would become.

On the 15th the Queen conferred degrees on Saturday last, in the presence of a large number of spectators. The Queen's letters patent, enabling the University to confer degrees of equal rank to those of the other Universities, was read.

So we are not to have the All England Eleven out after all, and Messrs. Spiers and Pond's enterprises are doomed to failure. Some of the students of the voyage, and some of the writers of the liberal press offered. Surely the Canadians' Yankies must have put an immense number of the English Yankies to flight. The Yankies have become a more lucrative profession than of yore, when "half-a-crown an hour" bowlers on Parker's Place require \$400 each, "cash-down," before they can afford to play. The Yankies are now so scarce that they are only asked to be absent from England.

during the months when they are earning nothing at home on the cricket field. In the entire country

A collection amounting to about \$1000 has been discovered in the accounts of the sub-treasurer, Cuthbertson, who was called upon to make an inventory of the same. The main clue on the subject, as the gentleman who for many years has filled the post of sub-treasurer there has always been held in highest esteem. The police were summoned to move him the offender, and it was ascertained that he had come from the United States, where he lived in Milwaukee. This circumstance, together with the fact that one of the officers (William Grayburn) belonging to the treasury had been visiting at his residence some time ago, led the police to suspicion to attach to him, and on his return to Cuthbertson he was immediately arrested. About \$750 was found upon him, some of the notes corresponding with those which had been lost. He has since acknowledged the loss.

At the meeting of the Victoria Jockey Club, held

A Chinaman, named A. How, was tried at the District Court on Friday last, and was sentenced to five years' labour on the roads, for a criminal assault on a child.

It appears that, after clearing all expenses, a sum of money was handed over to the treasurer of the *Wing-on* Hospital as the proceeds of the late bazaar. At the final meeting of ladies held on the afternoon of the 16th, the chairman (the Hon. John Lubbock) presided, and the committee to be constituted by the ladies and the committee to present a

testimonial to Mr. William Fairfax, in the form of a very handsome tablet 18 by 22

inches, in neat gilt frame, executed by Mr. Meek, which was pronounced a beautiful specimen of calligraphy. It contains the names of the ladies' and gentlemen, who were present, and the names of the bazaar, hung in the form of a shield, suspended from the upper centre, bearing the words "Fairfax Testimonial." The tablet also contains an appropriate and somewhat touching notice of the occasion, presenting the testimonial, made some highly eulogistic remarks, and attributed the success of the bazaar mainly to the exertions of Mr. Fairfax, who replied to the remarks in a few words, and said that he had been so ably seconded, and appreciated to such a degree, by those with whom he had co-operated.

On Monday a start was made towards the fortification of the Heads—the first sod having been turned for the battery between the two lighthouses. The

steamer on Saturday last took nearly a score of workmen to begin the work.—*Age.*

About eleven o'clock on Thursday night, a man servant in the service of Dr. Rowe, was stopped on the Toorak road by a soldier belonging to the 40th Regiment, named John Jelly, who seized him by the neck and took his watch from his pocket, with which

he made off. The offender has since been arrested. It has been proposed by Mr. Henry Stevenson, a

hold an exhibition of grain in 1861, when a price of 200 guineas should be offered for the best forty bushels of wheat; the contest to be open to all the exhibitors of the exhibition of the Fort Phillip Permanent Society testified to the fact that the average was, when our wheat weighed on the average from 55 lb. to 67 lb. per bushel; barley for maling, from 55 lb. to 57 lb. and oats from 43 lb. to 45 lb.—*Age*.

TO DEATH.—One of the latest of the FRENCH BARRAGE WHICH all the public mind with horror has just taken place in Mouton-street, Castlemaine, by which four persons were killed, and five persons seriously injured. About two hundred persons were at the house-holding house in Mouton-street, kept by a person named Mark Stephens, was discovered to have been a fire, and the fire spread with such rapidity that the premises (containing about 100 persons) were consumed in a few minutes. Four of the inmates, who were unable to escape. This sad tragedy was attended by several circumstances of more than a usually ordinary nature, and which would tend to escape from the burning house, found that the

so. He returned to her assistance, and both perished in each other's arms. A monument

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their exertions prevented the destruction of the adjoining houses.

Several of the roofs of which were on fire. Altogether, the bodies of 1,500 persons were exposed to the extent of 5,000 square feet. The bodies were exposed for about an hour on Sunday morning, the remains of the unfortunate slaves were gathered together in the middle of the street, and then viewed the bodies, in order that they might be moved and enclosed in coffins. A more horrible appearance than they presented could not be conceived. The bodies were almost the very outlines of humanity, had disfigured, the faces being burnt off, and the contorted, blackened, charred masses which were taken for interment by the undertakers could scarcely be recognized as human remains, the faces were so completely destroyed. The front wall which had sustained such serious injury as to be tottering and dangerous, was pulled down at the direction of the town surveyor, and during the day the bodies were removed from the scene of this and tragedy. All those who were in the house have lost absolutely everything, and are

SHIPPING.

ARRIVAL.—April 20.
London (s.), 700 tons, Captain Paine, from Melbourne 17th inst.
Passengers:—Dr. Alcock, Miss M'Farlane, Mr. and Mrs. Mayne, Mr. and Mrs. Gough, Miss Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Colonel and Mrs. Kemp, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Messrs. Chubb, Studd, and Co., and 40 in the steerage.
Fremantle (s.), 350 tons, Captain Knapton, from Wide Bay 15th inst.
Passengers:—Messrs. Brown, Kemp, and 7 in the steerage.
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DEPARTURE.—April 21.
John Wesley, for South Sea Islands.
Tasmania (s.), for Eden and Hobart Town.
Canton, for New Zealand.
Native Land, for Melbourne.
Don Juan, for Adelaide.
Independence, for South Sea.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—April 20.
Calcutta, for New Zealand.
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DEPARTURE.—April 20.
Tasmania (s.), 250 tons, Captain Knapton, for Eden and Hobart Town.
Passengers:—Lord Bishop of Sydney, Lady Barker, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, and 10 passengers.

COASTERS INWARDS.—April 20.
Zona, from Newcastle, 120 tons, Captain Knapton, 17th inst.
Passengers:—Messrs. Brown, Kemp, and 10 in the steerage.
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IMPORTS.—April 20.
London (s.), from Melbourne: 2 cases hardware, 1 case iron, 1 case tin, 1 case glass, 1 case soap, 1 case sugar, 1 case flour, 1 case rice, 1 case oil, 1 case wine, 1 case spirits, 1 case fruit, 1 case vegetables, 1 case other goods.

EXPORTS.—April 20.
Tasmania (s.), to Melbourne: 2 cases hardware, 1 case iron, 1 case tin, 1 case glass, 1 case soap, 1 case sugar, 1 case flour, 1 case rice, 1 case oil, 1 case wine, 1 case spirits, 1 case fruit, 1 case vegetables, 1 case other goods.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.
We notice that some of our correspondents have been sending in articles for publication, but as a guarantee of their good faith.

The Sydney Morning Herald.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 1860.

The Legislative Assembly met yesterday at twenty-five minutes past one o'clock.

In answer to Mr. COOPER, the SECRETARY FOR LANDS and the Government had received no official information respecting a discovery of extraordinary quantities of gold at Kiandra, but he believed some private information of the kind had been received.

Papers were laid on the table by Ministers, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. HAY presented a petition from certain persons against the bill proposed by Dr. LANG to incorporate a Presbyterian College.

Petitions were also presented by Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. EAGAN, and Dr. LANG.

Petitions were ordered to be printed, on motions made by Mr. FORSTER and Dr. LANG.

On the motion of Mr. BLACK, Mr. Garret, Mr. Close, Mr. Scott, and Mr. Piddington, were added to the committee to consider the petition of the parishioners of St. Andrew's.

Mr. PARKES moved that the House go into committee to take evidence on the railway works.

Mr. ANSON moved that he be instructed to the Committee to take evidence on the railway works.

After a short debate the motion was passed.

After some remarks from Mr. ROBERTSON, defending his conduct in his negotiations with Sir Morton Peto, the House divided on the motion to go into committee, with 33 yeas to 5 nays.

The House having gone into committee, Alexander Rhodes, Esquire, was called to the bar, and examined by Mr. PARKES and cross-examined by Mr. ANSON.

The evidence of the witness, which extended to nearly ten o'clock, referred principally to the schedule of prices, which were alleged to have varied after Mr. Rhodes' arrival in the colony, from the prices sent to London.

Mr. PARKES moved that the Public Officers' Salaries Bill be read a second time. The bill did not fix the amount of the salaries of Ministers, but placed them all on a level of equality, both in amount and in subjecting them to annual vote. The salary itself, he hoped, would always be a secondary consideration, and that the honour attached to those high offices would be recognised by all as the highest kind of consideration. The bill also reduced the salary of future Governors to £5000.

Mr. ROBERTSON concurred both in equalising the salaries and in subjecting them to annual vote. He had always considered the Governor-General's salary too high. With regard to the amount of the ministerial salaries, he did not think it could be regarded as too high a remuneration, though he hoped the consciousness of having the power to benefit the country would always be regarded as the best reward.

Mr. MARTIN considered the bill badly framed, as it was attempted to deal with two things in law, in regard to which their powers were essentially different. The salaries of Ministers could be dealt with on the spot, but any bill affecting the Governor-General must be referred to the House of Representatives. But he was opposed to making these ministerial salaries dependent on annual vote, and as to reducing them, he would rather raise them to £2500, as the officers undoubtedly ought to be filled by the ablest men in the country. He moved that the bill be read a second time that day six months.

Mr. GORDON, Mr. JENKINS, Mr. HOSKINS, Mr. WINDYBATE, and other members supported the second reading.

On division, the original motion was carried by 21 to 7.

The House then went into committee on the bill and almost immediately resumed, the Chairman obtaining leave to sit again on Tuesday.

The other business was postponed.

The House adjourned at ten minutes before twelve o'clock till three o'clock on Tuesday.

The continued productiveness of the Snowy River mines, is best attested by the escort. We have no reason to doubt that even this is but a part of the sum total—that much passes into the neighbouring colonies without duty, and that a considerable quantity reaches the city by private hands. Our correspondent justly observes that many have expended more in obtaining the gold than it is worth. Such is, however, true of all gold fields, and more generally so than of the Alpine mines, it is true of those of Victoria. Were the proceeds of digging invariably equal to their cost, we question if any other kind of industry would long survive. The influence of large occasional returns is, however, modified by the uncertainty, and thus the unfortunate, always a numerous class, are thrown back on common pursuits. In looking at the course of events at the Snowy River, and at other neighbouring spots, we think all that we could fairly expect has been realised. The conviction universally prevails that there remains a vast field for future enterprise. The investigation of surrounding places, where there are auriferous indications, have confirmed this view, and we shall see next spring a great migration to all the Alpine regions.

Some who are fond of finding fault with this journal, have censured the prominence we have given to the new gold-fields, and to questions connected with their development. The same parties reproached us with our discouragement of the Rockhampton mania. But the cases are evidently different. At Rockhampton everything was uncertain; the reports had no reliable source; the country was a wilderness, accessible with difficulty; and the expectations of the people as extravagant as they were baseless. On these grounds we gave warnings, which experience too quickly confirmed. At the Alpine diggings, we have the clearest proof that there exists a most prolific field, and all the geological facts justify the belief that it will be found as extensive as any yet known. There has been no great difficulty in supplying the population with provisions, and they can retreat before winter on other gold-fields, where they will be able probably to wait in profitable employment the return of spring. The main question—the gold—being

settled, all others are of easy solution. In the assistance we have given, we have been influenced by considerations which our readers, on reflection, will admit to be sufficient. Without discussing the question whether mining is the most desirable form of industry, it is clear that its attractions are, to a large class of persons, irresistible; but to make it permanently valuable it requires to be developed on a large scale. It is only in this form that it is consistent with civilization, the dominion of law, and the permanent colonization of the country. If, for instance, a large mining population were settled in the heart of the colony, all the intermediate country would be traversed by population and commerce—every valuable plot of ground would pass into private hands. Railroads would become not only practicable, but most necessary and profitable.

We might imagine such a great gathering of people, so central between Victoria and New South Wales, that it would become a capital object of both to draw the trade to their respective ports. The first of these colonies that improved communication, that facilitated the transit of gold, that established monetary institutions and mercantile firms, would determine the current of commerce and colonisation. We do not think it at all impossible that next summer these questions will demand a practical solution, and if the Government of this colony shall be below the task assigned to it, we may find the country now so promising, become a mere tributary to our neighbours. What they already think of the subject is pretty clear, from the vote of ten thousands pounds to explore the Alpine Range on the Victoria side. If they are once successful they will tap the whole country, and partly from the spirit of rivalry, and partly from the more rational impulse of their own interest, they will lose no time or opportunity. There seems to be no doubt that during the winter even, and certainly in the coming spring, there will be a great immigration from Victoria. That colony is, however, dependent on its mines, and the productiveness of them depends on the abundance of the people employed in working them. If, then, there were any great decline this year, it would be deeply every interest, both public and private; and exploring parties and all other appliances to turn it on their side.

What then should our Government do but shape its proceedings so as to give the inclination of the balance in our favour. We do not wish to raise any narrow jealousies or to create any obstructions to the enterprise of our neighbours; on the contrary, the only means likely to rouse our Government to action, and show our trading community the value of the opportunity, is to remind them that we have an able and intelligent competitor.

We are not generally favourable to the special encouragements to peculiar forms of industry, but this is a case somewhat exceptional. It may be proper to encourage exploration by some special reward.

It is certainly right that every facility should be offered, by the various departments, can afford—postal, rail-road, or telegraph. The Government will probably have to decide before long the direction of the railroads, and it will be fortunate if the best permanent line should coincide with the current of mining interests. Such seems to us unlikely. The most ample means should be secured to protect the revenue, and to maintain the law. The peaceable character of the mining population has been sufficiently attested, but the great mass of people likely to assemble will probably lead to the renewal of the disorders which were so rapidly put down. The intelligent head of the police does not need to be reminded that adventurers who come from neighbouring colonies are not of the first water, and that it will be well from the first to have the means to control them.

At the present time, when all interests are affected by commercial hesitation, we rejoice that light is breaking from an unexpected quarter. But there are also questions of permanent consequence involved. It has been long a doubt whether or not we should cede the precedence to the younger colony, but whose more rapid growth enables it to dispute the future with us. If, however, as another year will show, beside great general resources, and a more central and convenient port, we have gold mines equally prolific with those of Victoria, we may escape the humiliation so long threatened, and hold the first rank among the colonial sisterhood. This will, however, depend on the intelligent activity of the Government, and the enterprise of the commercial community.

This report of the Board appointed to enquire into the charges and counter-charges between the Colonies of New South Wales, Victoria, and the agents and merchants, and others, is only the introductory chapter to an immense mass of evidence that occupies a hundred and thirty pages. We have abstained from making any remarks on the question, until we could find time to read this evidence through; and, having done so, we must express our opinion that the Board has been very much in the censure it has bestowed on Mr. DUNCAN's method of proceeding; a mildness which contrasts strangely with Mr. DUNCAN's own reckless manner of scattering accusations. We cannot recommend a perusal of the evidence as "light reading," yet it is by no means altogether uninteresting, and is occasionally even positively amusing, from the play of character exhibited, and the turns the evidence takes.

Mr. DUNCAN was appointed Collector under somewhat peculiar circumstances. Great frauds had been recently discovered, and there was too good reason to suspect that those which had been thus disclosed were only a sample of others that remained hidden. The late Collector had grown lax, and many of his subordinates were anything but impeccable. The new head of the department was expected to reform, and was quite resolved to signalise himself by doing so. But his energy was too much for his discretion. He was warranted in being suspicious, in keeping a wary eye on everybody and everything, in trusting nobody till he had found out who was worthy of trust. But instead of this attitude of neutrality and scepticism, or rather of reserved faith, he seems to have jumped at once to the opposite extreme—to have commenced with a firm faith in the rogues of everybody.

He has been possessed with the conviction that he has received much benefit from his visit, and is now on his way out, having left London, per Norfolk, on the 20th February.

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There were needed and real improvements. It is not to be wondered at, therefore, that he soon brought a hornets' nest round his ears. All this he received as the honours of martyrdom, and with the most complacent assurance that he had unearthed the most scandalous practices that had too long remained undisturbed. If he had done so, he would have been deserving of the highest commendation the Board could bestow, and any promotion in the public service that could be fitted little beyond for the office he holds.

The enquiry was not called for by him, but by those whom he accused, which is *prima facie* evidence of their conviction of their innocence. Nor can we wonder that they should wish for an official exculpation, as without it some suspicion would necessarily have attached to them. For no one in his senses would believe that such charges would be made in such positive language, unless the Collector had very good grounds for what he said.

The opening correspondence, on which the enquiry is based, is quite enough to whet any one's appetite for scandal, and the reader confidently looks for some most extraordinary revelations. The parties implicated are so respectably made, that curiosity is on tip-toe. As the evidence unfolds itself, the feeling of surprise takes another shape. The proof becomes gradually so dissipated, even under the testimony of Mr. DUNCAN's own witnesses, getting daily small by degrees, and becoming less, until it is attenuated almost into nothing, that the reader is confounded to think how man in his sober senses could peril his position by making such grave charges on such slender grounds.

The charges lie chiefly against Messrs. METCALFE and POWELL, Messrs. TOWNS and CO., and the Sugar Company. The nature of the charges, and the worth of the evidence brought forward to support each of them, are stated with severe accuracy and impartiality in the report of the Board, and we need add nothing further saying that a perusal of the evidence fully establishes the conclusions there arrived at.

The Board seems to have left it to the Executive to pass a suitable censure on Mr. DUNCAN for his rash and unbecoming language, and his intemperate behaviour, which are an excuse. He pleads good intentions and zeal for the public service; but no good intentions can justify a public officer in his responsible position from scattering broadcast accusations that cannot be substantiated, and that, on examination, prove to be absolutely false. The tone of his letters, and also of his remarks before the Board, is quite indefensible, and can have had no other effect but to lower him in the estimation of every one. Nor does his heat subside as his testimony ebbs away and leaves him stranded. There is no admission of error, no apology, no retraction. On the contrary, in his last address to the Board, he is as vehement as ever; and, though the general worthlessness of his testimony had been exposed, he makes up for the pungency of his epigrams by the deficiency of his evidence. Thus, he charges Mr. POWELL with "incessant lying," and when checked in the use of such an expression, stands by it, adding with his characteristic inconsiderateness and impetuosity, "I do not know that I have ever had from him either orally or in writing, two consecutive sentences of naked truth." Yet nothing whatever has been produced to impeach Mr. POWELL's character for veracity, while on the other hand Mr. DUNCAN's own assertions have been found to be very inaccurate.

The strict demand of the Board for evidence proved very trying to Mr. DUNCAN, but he hints that a person in his position knows much that he cannot prove, and that his suspicions and assertions might, therefore, be fairly taken as a makeshift to legal evidence. At the same time, while he begs the Board to remember that his accusatory letters were written under circumstances of great provocation and distraction, and were in the nature of privileged communications for which he never expected to be called to book, he not only repeats the charges in full, and deliberately, but magnifies them indefinitely, by adding that they gave "absolutely no notion whatever of the enormous extent to which the revenue has been defrauded." Yet he has not proved a single fraud, nor even an intent to defraud. Though, if anything like the state of things existed which he asserts, some evidence in such cases would be sure to come. The enquiry, though very close, has not even suggested anything to justify suspicion, and Mr. DUNCAN's positive assertions, therefore, only go to prove his unconquerable temerity. All that he can do is to repeat that under the system that prevailed frauds were possible, *ergo* they were committed. But, on the same showing, they are equally possible now, *ergo* they still exist, and Mr. DUNCAN has altered without reforming. By the evidence it is shown that the Company's sugar is not weighed in full now any more than it was before, and, therefore, if they are disposed to carry on the game he boasts of having exposed, they have still abundant opportunity of smuggling on board ship short-weighted bags, and claiming drawback on sugar they never exported.

Mr. DUNCAN is clearly not the "right man in the right place," and his appointment was a mistake. He is evidently wanting in the discretion, the temper, and the technical knowledge necessary to fit him for the post. He has aroused the mercantile community against him, and he has made it impossible for the Government to defend him with any confidence in the rectitude of his conduct. There may yet be unpleasant reforms to initiate, discipline to be introduced, and frauds to be exposed; but, after what has now taken place, the presumption will be the next time Mr. DUNCAN is in hot water, that he has put himself in the wrong, and his wonderful discoveries will be heard of with incredulous mirth as "another of DUNCAN's mad's nests."

THE WORKING MAN'S CHURCH.—The Rev. Thomas Smith, minister of St. Barnabas Church, Parramatta-street, will be remembered in June last resigned his pastoral charge for a short time for the purpose of visiting Europe for the benefit of his health. A letter by the last mail states that he has received much benefit from his visit, and is now on his way out, having left London, per Norfolk, on the 20th February.

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Building Materials, Cases, &c.

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ALEXANDER MOORE and CO. have received instructions from Messrs. Wilson and Gordon, in consequence of their dissolution of partnership, to sell by auction, on MONDAY, April 23rd, at 11 o'clock, on the Premises, 234, Castlereagh-street, near Market-street,

The whole of the immense stock of oil, paints, paper, &c., &c. viz.—A large quantity of stock, drawing-room, hall, and other papers; a large stock of paints and oils of every description; plates, sheet, and crown glass, all sizes; gilt mouldings for frames and decorations; mastic, gill, carriage, oak, and cedar varnish, white lead, oil, and dry colours, &c., &c. Also,

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Sale of Unredeemed Pledges.

MR. C. ADRAIN will sell by auction at his Mart, King-street, between George and York-streets, on TUESDAY, 24th instant, commencing at 11 o'clock, precisely.

The undermentioned lot of unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. John Speerin, 121, Lower George-street, on the dates specified as under—

October 15th, 1859, silver lever watch 1833, 13 shirte, coat, and trousers, quadrant; 17th, silver watch, 20392, strap watch, gold ring; 18th, silver watch, gold ring, shawl, 9 pieces of underlinen, &c.; 19th, gold watch 26095 and 1833; 21st, pair of trousers, gold of clothes and 2 shawls, gold hunting lever watch (no number); 24th, frock and shawl, gold snuff box, 3 silver lever watches and 2 gold chains; 25th, chest, &c.; 26th, pair of trousers, 26th, gold curb chain, Thiers' French Revolution (in 5 vols.), bag and contents; 27th, dress and shawl, violin and bow, bed and case, ironers, skirt and petticoat; 28th, two table covers, mantle and frock, pair of trousers; 29th, silver hunting lever watch 3754, silver lever watch and guard 17387, frock and shawl; 31st, suit of clothes, coat and trousers; November 1st, coat and trousers, 3 gold rings; 2nd, bedstead, gold chain, heavy gold ring, dress; 3rd, 2 pairs of trousers, gold ring; 4th, silver watch and guard, snuff box, 2 shawls, 2 pieces of silver and pencil case, dress, counterpane, cake basket; 7th, trousers, and coat, 8th, 3 hose and contents; 10th, coat, jacket, and 2 pairs of trousers, gold locket, boy's coat and vest; 11th, silver Geneva watch, valise; 12th, shawl and nightgown, silver hunting watch 1888, remnant of docket, silver lever watch and guard 218; 16th, pair of long waterproof boots, gold and copper instrument of cloth, coat and shawl, coat and clock; 18th, 8 books and 1 Lankaster, table sofa, and clock; 19th, gold hunting lever watch and chain, gold ring; 20th, silver watch and chain, 21st, coat, trousers, and 2 books, ironers and 4 remnant; 28th, suit of clothes, dress, dress, 2 pictures and gold ring, 1 doan box, 20th, suit of clothes and coat, 36 books, chest and contents.

December 1st, parallel ruler, hat and coat in box, 4 shawl, top coat, 2 vests and 4 remnant; 3rd, silver watch and gold chain, 4th, 2 shawls, 5th, 2 shawls and parcel, gold hunting watch 1832, 9 head plane, remnant in case, child's silk frock, dress, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 18th, 20th, 22nd, 24th, 26th, 28th, 30th, 32nd, 34th, 36th, 38th, 40th, 42nd, 44th, 46th, 48th, 50th, 52nd, 54th, 56th, 58th, 60th, 62nd, 64th, 66th, 68th, 70th, 72nd, 74th, 76th, 78th, 80th, 82nd, 84th, 86th, 88th, 90th, 92nd, 94th, 96th, 98th, 100th, 102nd, 104th, 106th, 108th, 110th, 112th, 114th, 116th, 118th, 120th, 122nd, 124th, 126th, 128th, 130th, 132nd, 134th, 136th, 138th, 140th, 142nd, 144th, 146th, 148th, 150th, 152nd, 154th, 156th, 158th, 160th, 162nd, 164th, 166th, 168th, 170th, 172nd, 174th, 176th, 178th, 180th, 182nd, 184th, 186th, 188th, 190th, 192nd, 194th, 196th, 198th, 200th, 202nd, 204th, 206th, 208th, 210th, 212th, 214th, 216th, 218th, 220th, 222nd, 224th, 226th, 228th, 230th, 232nd, 234th, 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MONDAY, 30th April.
At the Rose Inn, West Maitland.

CARELL STATION.

The magnificent Fattening Station, well known as "Carrell", the property of Messrs. How, the Namoi and Mooki Rivers, about 160 m. Maitland.

R G. YEOMANS has received positive instructions from Messrs. J. and J. How by auction, at Mr. James Fairclough's, Rose Inn, to sell on MONDAY, the 30th day of April, at 10 o'clock.

The magnificent and justly appreciated station, well known as "How's Carell", situated on the Namoi, near the junction of the Mooki River, and described as follows:

Estimated grazing capabilities, 8000+ having five miles frontage to the Namo River, beginning at a tree marked H.O. and J.H. on the Namo River, and extending southward along the plain about four miles above the junction of the Namo River with the Namo; thence on by a marked tree line continued from the mentioned tree, running southward through marked H.H. and H.O. on Seville's place, two miles below the Pullman Head Station, separating Mr. Howe's station, Carroll, James Hall's station, Gu nedah; thence running about one and one-half miles to a marked tree, about half a mile below the junction of the Namo River with the Namo; thence by a Coppenden water-hole with the Mooki, following this run from Mr. Brown's station, P.

HO and LE on the said river bank, being of about three or four miles from the bend in the river; thence on the south side of the river, following the bend of the Oak Creek continuing in the same direction, there marked LE and H.O. on the Duty road separating Mr. Kaiser Long Point station from the said creek, and then along the creek, there marked IO and HO, and thence on the Grangeville ridge by a direct line to the north-west to the Carroll Hill; thence on by the river Kamei downwards about three miles, and thence crossing the river to the north, there marked HO and ID, thence by a line bearing about north and west to the Spring Gap at a tract marked in the Mammoth range, this line to the Mammoth range, and thence to the Huntington Carroll from the L.R. of the Car-

The auctioneer, in recommending the above-mentioned pastoral property, in particular notices its position, and desirous of possessing one of the finest fattening ranges in the northern district, at an easy distance from the city, and specially invites a visit of the fullest inspection on any day of the week, and, being content that its water supply is abundant, and its soil fertile, and its stock and far-raised property superior to first-class fattening ranges, he will bring many competitors forward, and prove it well worth the wealth to the fortunate purchaser.

MR. JOHN SHEA has received applications to sell at auction, at the Railway Station, on **MONDAY** next, April 23, 60 head of prime fat cattle; 10 lots to suit purebred, **Terms, cash.**
Sale at half-past 12 o'clock.

QUEENSLAND.

Unprecedented Sale of Magnificent Town Property
By order of the Proprietor, Mr. Martin Byrnes,
For Patent Sale.
First-class Investments.

To the Capitalists of Queensland and the Colonies.

TOWN OF IPSWICH.

The following splendid FREEHOLD PROPERTY comprising EIGHT FORTY, and occupying commanding sites for BUSINESS within the heart of the town, viz. —

Lot 1.—THE LONDON TAVERN HOTEL
corner of Brisbane and Nicholas streets.

Lots 2 and 3.—Those TWO NEWLY-ERECTED HOUSES, with several

the Above.
Lot 4.—FOUR-ROOMED COTTAGE, with
to Nicholas-street, also adjoining the London
Lot 5.—THE STEAM PACKET HOTEL, at
of East-street and Bremer-street.
Lot 6.—A LARGE WOODEN STORE, with
jointly at the corner of Bremer-street
and street.
Lot 7.—ALLOTMENT OF LAND at corner
of Bremer streets.
Lot 8.—ALLOTMENT OF LAND on the Bremer
near the Basin.
Titles—All from the Crown.

H. M. COCKBURN has received
authorizations from Mr. Martyn Byrne,
sequence of his election authority to leave the
city by public auction, and his property

The following freehold properties, viz.,
 Lot No. 1.—Allotment No. 4, section 3, situated on the corner of Brisbane and Brisbane streets, of 33 perches, with a frontage to Brisbane street of 132 feet and 132 feet frontage to Nicholson street, and which is erected thereon well-known building LONDON TAYERN, containing 4 parlour bedrooms, with detached kitchens, stable other outbuildings.
 Lot Nos. 2 and 3.—Allotment No. 3, section 3, of 33 perches, adjoining the above, with frontage to Brisbane street, on which is erected TWO HOUSES, three stories each, containing 10 bedrooms, 2 parlours, 2 drawing rooms, and 9 rooms respectively, with detached, and bakehouse, &c. &c. and

Let No. 4.—Allotment No. 5, section 3, containing 3 perches, with frontage to Nicholas-street, is erected a COTTAGE, containing a large room, well lighted.

Let No. 5.—Allotment No. 6, section 1, situated at the corner of East-street and Bremer-street, containing 38 perches, with 66 feet frontage to Bremer-street and 132 feet frontage to Bremer-street; is erected that spacious brick building now known as the Stearns Hotel, containing 12 parlours and seven bedrooms, with kitchen and other buildings detached.

Let No. 6. Allotment No. 14, section 1, situated at the corner of Bremer-street and Wharf-street, containing 2 perches, with 132 feet frontage to Bremer-street and 66 feet frontage to Wharf-street, on erected a large wooden store, with a room

Let No. 7.—Allotment No. 91, section 27, situate corner of Bremer-street and Mortimer-street, fronting to Bremer-street and frontage to Mortimer-street.

Let No. 8.—Allotment No. 56, situate on the River, near the Basin, with frontage to the River, containing 1 acre 2 roods and 35 perches, or in with a four-rail fence.

IN calling the attention of capitalists to these several properties, the auctioneer begs to state a few particulars worthy of notice:—

First.—That the five properties, with the exception of the last, are corner sites, and immediately contiguous to the River.

Second.—That they command the principal trades in town.

Third.—That they are all in good repair, lots supposed to be well stocked.

Fourth.—That all the properties, with the exception of the last, are under leases to good tenants, who are at present amounting to £712 sterling per annum.

Lastly.—That the facilities of subdivision for the purposes afforded by the extent of the frontage of the last lots cannot fail to greatly enhance their value in a very short time.

For cards of admission to inspect these properties for all further particulars apply at the auctioneers' office, No. 12, Nicholas-street, Ipswich.

Terms—Half cash, and the remainder by approved bills at six months' date.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales,
Barrister's Office, Sydney, 18th April 1864.
ALFRED W. BARNESON.

ON MONDAY next, the 23rd inst.

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Registry Office, Glebe Road, Glebe, Sydney, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction, a quantity of furniture, &c., unless the writ of "*fieri facias*," issued by the Court, be previously satisfied.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales,
Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 20th April,
JOSEY V. GILLEY.

ON MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at the defendant's residence, St. Leonards, Shore, the SHERIFF will cause to be sold, a quantity of household furniture, &c., unless the *FIERI FACIAS* herein be previously satisfied.

